

## THE EMPIRE STATE.

Republican by 80,000 at the Lowest Estimate.

## BUSINESS MEN SOLID IN LINE

Labor and Agricultural Vote Absolutely Secure—Results of Registrations—All the Business Men Awake to Their Interests.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 19.—The Star says:

A gentleman in the government service, a resident of New York City, who is well known in Washington, and whose views as to the political situation in New York state may be accepted as being absolutely reliable, returned to this city to-day from a trip to the metropolis for the purpose of registering. In order that he may vote in November. In discussing the situation as he observed it with a reporter of the Star this morning, he said:

"New York City being my native birth, and having been raised in the Twelfth and Eighth congressional districts, which are on the east side, north and south of Twenty-third street, and embrace the Tenderloin and hotel sections, I know something about the town. I made it a point to talk politics with every man I met, and being a member of the Republican organization of my assembly district and also frequently visiting the national Republican headquarters, I had peculiarly favorable opportunities of observing the intensely interesting political battle which is now being fought.

"It is my judgment, and my conclusions are largely based on inside information which I received at national Republican headquarters, that the Democratic majority south of the Bronx will not certainly be over 75,000. Mr. Croker's knee-slapping figures and claims to the contrary, notwithstanding. In fact, Mr. Croker is a prince of bluffers. His alleged heavy bets are simply part of the desperate game he is playing. He is, however, high up against the push Senator Platt, Col. J. H. Manley, Senator Scott and the other Republican leaders can give him cards and spades at his own game and beat him, and not only have they thus far forestalled the Tammany scheme in many of his most important plays on the political chess-board, but they have again checked and discounted him time and again. This fact fills New York Republicans with unalloyed and uncontrollable joy, and Tammany's chief and the Democratic leaders at their national headquarters with corresponding chagrin.

Large Majority for McKinley.

"At this stage it is confidently believed by the Republican managers on Madison avenue that the up-state majority will be at least 150,000, and that McKinley's majority in the state will be from 75,000 to 70,000. The heavy increase in registration in Republican districts and falling off in Democratic districts substantiates this view. The Democrats stand no more chance of carrying my state than of carrying Maine. These figures are exceedingly conservative, and if the tide of Republican sentiment which began to flow strongly about the 1st of October, and which was running with increasing and irresistible volume and force during the time I was in the state and which it is believed will increase at a corresponding high pressure and ratio, the President majority will be over 100,000. In fact, Congressman Gibbs bet with National Committeeman Norman Mack, of Buffalo, \$500 even money that the state would give over 100,000 for McKinley, so you see my figures are very conservative, as I am not permitting myself to be swayed by sentiment.

"You see, there has been a tremendous change of sentiment in New York City and state within the last fortnight. The astounding bluffing claims of Mr. Bryan and Chairman Jones as to their ability to carry the state paralyzed, as it were, New York Republicans for the moment because of their monumental effrontery. When they recovered their breath they started in to give the party for which Mr. Bryan stands as the supreme blow series after series of solar plexus blows right where it lives, and by election day it will be as limp in my state as the proverbial rag.

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This is very significant, and of the greatest importance. There never was a time in the history of the empire state when organized labor received higher wages than they do at present, nor has there been a time when the per capita of savings banks deposits were as large as now. This means thousands of votes for the Republican party. The farmers, too, from accurate advice recently received at Republican headquarters, are with the party that stands for national honor and expansion, and it is expected in the few Democratic counties up-state which heretofore returned Democratic majorities that these majorities will be greatly reduced, and in some counties entirely overcome. There is absolutely no anti-imperialistic sentiment in New York state. The people positively refuse to accept this issue at the hands of the Democrats, as they do the alleged issue of militarism. The great issues seem to me to be sound money, prosperity, maintenance of national honor, the unequalled support of the President's policies and the continuance for four years more of the carrying of the full dinner pail. New York is filled with men who work, of all shades, classes and degrees, and they will want the best dollar they can get for their daily wage and the fullest dinner pail they can lug.

Foreign Voters Indignant at Jones.

"I will tell you of one very significant fact. The so-called foreign vote is not entirely with the Democrats this year, and thousands of these voters have come over to the Republican party. The Republican managers are celebrating by the hundreds of thousands of folders in twelve different languages Chairman Jones' remarks delivered on January 20, 1897, in which occur these words: 'Hundreds of thousands of ignorant foreigners, who were taking bread out of the mouths of honest labor, voted at the last election at the dictation of McKinley's supporters.' These foreign voters comprise fully one-half of the number of votes received by McKinley. Can there be any doubt as to which will prevail, the six and one-half millions of intelligent Bryan voters of the three and one-half millions of ignorant foreigners who voted for McKinley?"

These foreign-born voters constitute a large proportion of New York's voting population, and they are very sensitive, and resent most keenly these words of Chairman Jones, which they take as a direct insult to themselves, and they are duly qualified critics of the United States, and are very angry at Chairman Jones' designation of them as 'ignorant foreigners.'

Heavy Gold Democratic Vote.

"It is estimated at the Republican headquarters that the endorsement of McKinley by John D. Crimmins, a leading Catholic, one of the largest contractors of the United States, and one of the most popular and widely known men in the city will carry with it at least 20,000 votes for McKinley south of the Bronx. Mr. Crimmins' reasons for supporting McKinley were stated by him very clearly and in a manner which appealed with peculiar force to the Irish American and other naturalized voters.

"There is a tremendous Gold Democratic vote in the city and state. While some of this vote was inclined during the earlier stages of the campaign to support Bryan, it is believed as election day approaches and the disastrous results of Bryan's election become daily more apparent that the great majority of this vote will be given to McKinley. As to the business men who are Gold Democrats this is absolutely certain.

Kings County for McKinley.

"Brooklyn, which comprises Kings county, will be carried by McKinley by a majority of from 10,000 to 15,000. Some of the Republican leaders claim it to be 20,000. Kings county has been normally a Democratic stronghold by 20,000 and over, but the sentiment this fall in the city of churches is very strong for McKinley, as there is a very heavy and decisive independent vote there. Brooklynites are terribly sore on Croker. As a Democratic leader who stands very close to Boss McLaughlin said to me: 'Croker goes the whole push and gives us nothing.' In fact, three of the congressional districts in Kings county which are ordinarily surely Democratic are now doubtful. The Democratic campaign in Brooklyn is lifeless and listless, and it is conceded to be the quietest campaign ever had on that side of the East river. The city is filled with Sound Money Democrats, of which 95 per cent will vote for McKinley.

"Queens county, which is a part of Greater New York, and has a normal Democratic majority of from 3,000 to 5,000, will probably go for McKinley for the same reasons which obtain in the

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Read what an elderly woman says—a woman who has passed through all the phases, crises and experiences of girlhood, womanhood and motherhood: "I really believe that every woman in the world ought to have Pe-ru-na on hand all the time; for, if she gets tired, Pe-ru-na refreshes her; if she gets nervous, it soothes her; if despondent, it cheers

adjoining county of Kings, and for the additional reason that the Democratic organization turned down John H. Sutphin as candidate for re-nomination for county clerk, which position he has held for over thirty years. Inasmuch as Mr. Sutphin was the Democratic leader in the county for over a quarter of a century, and is very popular with all classes, the probability is that his friends will mercilessly knife the ticket, and Boss Croker's majority south of the Bronx will be reduced that much."

## ELECTION EXCITEMENT

Affects Business and Keeps Buying Down to Only Immediate Wants.

Cotton Declines—Moderate Gains in Iron and Steel—Leather and Hides Improving.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade to-morrow will say:

A settlement of the coal strike satisfactory to all interests having been effected, business breathes more freely in the east, and distribution of merchandise is increasing slowly again, though the election excitement keeps new buying in many lines down to wants for immediate consumption. In the west, there is not the same hesitation, and there, as well as in the south, the marketing of the crops is responsible for a feeling of much confidence in the movement of business if the nation acts conservatively at the polls. Prices of commodities are weaker, and the caution so gratifying in a presidential year keeps speculation at a minimum.

Further Decline of Cotton.

Cotton further declined, making the loss about \$6 a bale in two weeks. Planters are rushing work and picking is expected to progress rapidly enough to save most of the crop from early frost. High prices make it possible to pay good wages to pickers, and the movement at receiving points increases largely. Domestic spinners are not liberal buyers, but exports are only slightly smaller than a year ago. Foreign buying increased with the recent sharp decline. Wheat has shown more weakness, due in part to the greater activity at Russian ports, and Atlantic exports for the week were only 2,647,325 bushels, against 3,270,226 bushels a year ago. Corn also declined, but is six cents above last year, which may account for the loss in exports in three weeks, 7,651,785 bushels, against 10,924,400 in 1899.

Small Advance in Bessemer.

Few important fluctuations occurred in iron and steel, but there were small advances in Bessemer pig at Pittsburgh and billets at Philadelphia. Moderate gains are reported in the volume of transactions, although the tendency is to delay large contracts a few weeks. Implement makers take bar iron freely, however, and orders for pipe are urgent, with severe weather coming on. Structural shapes are taken for foreign points as far distant as Egypt, and domestic bridge builders buy freely. More mills have gone into blast, and the general tone is improving. Production of coke has increased, but prices are easy and many ovens are still idle. Tin declined again, making the fall 1 1/2 cents in two weeks, and six cents from the high point in July.

Leather and Hides Firm.

Leather and hides are firm and selling freely because of steady improvement in demand for boots and shoes. Jobbers are placing large orders with manufacturers, and demand is no longer liable to fall and winter goods. Contract grades are increasing at an encouraging rate, although an effort is made to keep these rates as quiet as possible, owing to the effect on the market for raw material. White woolen mills are not working at full capacity, more seasonable weather has increased buying in this line, and purchases of wool at the three chief eastern markets increased to 4,224,000 pounds, the best total for a long time, although still far below the amount taken through speculative activity a year ago. Prices are steady, and holders show no loss of confidence.

In other textile markets, cotton goods are rather freely bid for, and are selling well below parity with the raw material. Sellers do not weaken in their ideas as to prices. Many mills which recently shut down or restricted production are running again on full time but there are making chiefly heavy goods.

Failures for the week were 200 in the United States, against 145 last year, and 25 in Canada, against 20 last year.

"A DOSE in the time saves lives." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Cures nature's remedy for cough, cold, pulmonary diseases of every sort.—3.

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microscopic setting fire to the tool house

in which they were kept.

Mr. S. J. Rockershausen has sold to Mr. G. O. Robinson the property owned by Jacob Wasser, Jr., in the Second ward, for \$400, and the McCaffery property on Chestnut street, for \$350.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Piper, of 3135 Belmont street, died Thursday night, from pneumonia, aged eighteen months. The funeral will occur this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Capt. R. H. Lane and wife is visiting for a vacation at the hotel in the Fourth ward. Captain Lane has charge of the marine barracks at Washington, D. C.

Governor Nash and Food Commissioner J. E. Blackburn, passed through this city Thursday evening, on their way home from the "Roosevelt Day" doings at Wheeling.

William Parks, who has been suffering for some time with rheumatism, left yesterday morning to take special treatment in a sanitarium at Hyattsville, Pa.

The reception to Rev. E. A. Simons and wife held in the First Methodist Episcopal church last evening, was well attended and was an enjoyable affair.

Black Prince Lodge No. 67, Knights of Pythias, presented J. M. Keller with an elegant past grand jewel at the session of that lodge Thursday evening.

Mrs. O. E. Foulke, of Greenfield, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Foulke, of Grayville Hill, will return to her home to-day.

Mike Sabbak, an employee of the steel works, was injured Thursday, by being struck by some falling bricks. He is injured seriously and is in a critical condition.

A very large part of Bellairs' population attended the Roosevelt demonstration at Wheeling, Thursday.

Rev. Doherty, of Bridgeport, conducted services at the Second Presbyterian church here, last evening.

Frank S. Shook, of Chiswick, Pa., and Miss Catherine Colver, of this city, have been licensed to wed.

The Woman's Relief Corps met last evening at their hall and transacted considerable business.

Carl Cunningham, of this city, is to be married soon to a young society lady at Toledo.

Harry Bowman, who is attending Bethany college, visited Bellairs friends Thursday.

Pearly Pickett is on the sick list.

McMECHEN NOTES.

Daily Items of Interest About People and Events.

Charles Hirsch, prominent among railroad men, and at one time fireman at the Baltimore & Ohio shops, is lying very low with blood poisoning, at his home here, with slight hopes for his recovery.

Fred. Carey has returned to work on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, after being off for six weeks, on account of injuries received in a wreck some time ago.

H. H. Harris, Republican candidate for house of delegates, was in town this week, calling on his friends.

Mrs. Ellen Taylor has returned to her home in Benwood, after being the guest of her son, Luke, and wife.

Fred. Eggleman left for his home at Charleston after spending the summer with Fred. Shaffer.

John McMechen left yesterday for southern Missouri, for the benefit of his health.

John Powell leaves to-day for a visit of a week with relatives in Pittsburgh.

Martin Conney and wife will visit friends at McMechen, Pa., to-morrow.